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**Exhibit #IV.E.**

**TO:** Members of the State Board of Education

**FROM:** Susan A. Gendron, Commissioner\*

**DATE:** December 13, 2006

**SUBJECT:** Major Capital Improvement Program; Assigned Calendar Year Within Which Concept Approval Shall be Obtained

**STATEMENT OF FACT**

State Board of Education rule 05-071, Chapter 61, section 6, 2, F (1) requires that all projects on the Approved Projects list be assigned a date by which Concept Approval shall be obtained. A waiver of this date requires that the school administrative unit apply at least 30 days before the end of the calendar year.

At this time the following projects are out of compliance with this provision:

Portland Public Schools  
SAD #6 - Buxton  
Peninsula CSD – Winter Harbor  
Ellsworth School Department

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Department of Education recommends that the State Board of Education waive the requirement of Chapter 61, section 6, 2, F (1) and set a time and date specific to extend the deadline. Each system mentioned above shall present a proposed timetable and plan to the State Board of Education for obtaining Concept Approval by the amended deadline date.

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